UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CLIFTON M. DIXON; JUSTUS4US, the Poor

People's Campaign, Inc.; LOUIS W.

BROWN; FRANCES POOLE; and CLEO B.

CARTER,

Plaintiffs,

-V.-

Civil Action No. 1:08-cv-502 (GLS/DRH)

ALBANY COUNT BOARD OF ELECTIONS; VIRGINIA MAFFIA TOBLER; ALBANY COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE; COUNTY OF ALBANY; JAQUELINE F. JONES; WANDA F. WILLINGHAM; JAMES FREZZELL; STEPHANIE GALKA; MATTHEW GALKA; and MATTHEW CLYNE,

De	efendant.

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GARY L. SHARPE, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

<u>ORDER</u>

The above-captioned matter comes to this court following a Report-Recommendation by Magistrate Judge David R. Homer, duly filed February 18, 2010. Following ten days from the service thereof, the Clerk has sent the file, including any and all objections filed by the parties herein.

No objections having been filed, and the court having reviewed the Magistrate Judge's Report-Recommendation for clear error, it is hereby ORDERED, that the Report-Recommendation of Magistrate Judge David R. Homer filed February 18, 2010 is ACCEPTED in its entirety for the reasons state therein, and it is further

ORDERED, that the motions of the Board of Elections defendants and Willingham for sanctions against plaintiffs for the failure of Brown, Poole,

and Carter to attend their depositions (Dkt. Nos. 86, 106) is:

1. **GRANTED** as to Brown, Poole, and Carter as follows:

A. Brown, Poole and Carter are **DISMISSED** with prejudice from this action as plaintiffs;

B. Brown is ordered to pay the Board of Elections defendants a total of \$493.33 and Willingham a total of \$210; and

C. Poole is ordered to pay the Board of Elections defendants a total of \$493.33 and Willingham a total of \$210; and

D. Carter is ordered to pay the Board of Elections defendants a total of \$493.00 and Willingham a total of \$210; and

2. DENIED as to Dixon and Justus4us in all respects; and it is further

ORDERED, that the case is referred to the Magistrate Judge to schedule a conference to establish a schedule for completion of the case, and it is further

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the court serve a copy of this order upon the parties in accordance with this court's local rules.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 22, 2010

Albany, New York